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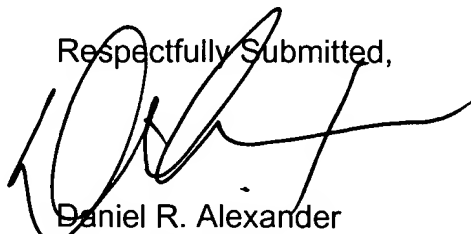
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In compliance with Applicant's duty under 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant hereby submits this Information Disclosure Statement filed according to the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

Enclosed herewith is Form PTO-1449 (Modified) which lists various references submitted by Applicant for consideration. Also, enclosed herewith are copies of each of the references listed in the Form PTO-1449 (Modified). The Examiner is requested to review each of the references, indicate that the references were reviewed by initialing the Form PTO-1449 (Modified) for each reference, and returning a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 (Modified) to the Applicant.

This information disclosure statement is being submitted within three months of the filing date of the application, within three months of the date of entry of the national stage, or prior to the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. However, if none of the three conditions above apply, the Examiner is requested to consider this Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR §1.97(c)(2) and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to withdraw the fee set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(p) from our Deposit Account 04-0500.

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